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Food ★ Fun ★ Frolic
By Bill Williams

Chow Down for Mom

Now whether she wants to go or not makes no difference! It's traditional to take Mother out on Her Day every year, irrespective of the fact that she'd just as soon stay home and enjoy some peace and quiet. So-o-o... we'll do it again!

And since we're going to do it anyway, why not do it up right and treat her to one of the nicer spots in our Southland. For example, why not take that most popular member of the household on a trip to Spain on Mother's Day? The "trip to Spain" in this case is naturally The Matador Restaurant on West Pico Boulevard where owner-host Bill Fremont assures you of presenting some of the finest in authentic Spanish cuisine available and will feature 30 separate items on the menu. It'll be an early day at The

Matador—3 o'clock—with the regular menu in effect featuring complete dinners of beef, poultry, seafood, lamb and veal dishes and ranging in price from \$2.95 to \$5.95. A reservation might be an idea here!

Here's still another spot that's having a special on that day and there certainly must be some country music fans among the Mothers of the Southland.

This is a one nite only presentation at Shipwreck Joey's in Wilmington when those TV and Capitol recording artists, Johnny and Jonie Mosby, Mr. and Mrs. Country Music, bow in at 7 p.m. and will play 'til 12:30 in the a.m.

This popular duo played Shipwreck Joey's last March 24 to a highly enthusiastic audience and due to their success that nite, were brought back to Figueroa and B Street "by popular demand" so don't miss 'em! Thursday is Spaghetti Nite down there. All you can eat for a quarter so go down and have at it!

Another exciting and delightful spot not too far away is the International Hotel.

They're featuring a special Mother's Day menu there at the entrance to the Los Angeles Airport Terminal at Century and Sepulveda Boulevards where you'll find ample free parking.

There'll be complete dinners served and starting at \$2.95 with special children's plates also offered.

The management at the International also is presenting each Mother with a free party to commemorate the occasion. But now, here, too, you should plan on reservations. Just call 670-6000 and let them handle it from there.

Maybe you'd like to make an "ocean trip" out of the

day, though. In this case the S.S. Princess Louise at Terminal Island will be serving from noon on that day. The Chef down there, Paul Peron, has planned a feastful (this is a word?) day which will include turkey, lobster, abalone, prime rib and many others, with each entree accompanied by appetizer, soup or salad, dessert, and beverage. (With the exception of that which comes from the bar, of course.)

And as an extra added attraction they've decided to open their Harbor View Room for an afternoon buffet. If you feel safer with a reservation, call 831-2351 and you'll have it made.

Reservations should be made at still another beach spot by calling 772-2257. It's the Pen and Quill Restaurant in Manhattan Beach where a grand Mother's Day menu has been planned and designed for the budget-minded so that the whole family can enjoy this day for taking Mother out.

Doubling back for a moment to Millie Riera's Seafood Grotto there's some goodies planned here for Mother, too. Like Cioppino, the exotic fish concoction brought from San Francisco's Fisherman's Wharf by the Riera family. This'll be the feature here along with two dozen other seafood entrees, steaks and Italian pasta.

Millie's is at the corner of



FOLKSY... Above are Jonie and Johnny Mosby, country-folk entertainers appearing for a one nite stand at Shipwreck Joey's in Wilmington next Sunday, the 12th.

Avenue I and the Esplanade in Redondo Beach.

Had the occasion to visit one of the most charming rooms in Southern California one nite last week and the thought passed, "What a nice

place for a Mother's Day dinner."

Checked it out and find they'll certainly be open and welcome all on that day and especially Mothers. Regular menu'll prevail.

It's the Beverly Comstock Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard. Now whether it's considered Beverly Hills, West L.A. or just Los Angeles, can't say but it's certainly loaded with quiet charm.

You may order a la carte or the complete dinner and it prices that won't frighten the most frugal of dine-outers.

There's a wonderful selection of gourmet items from which to choose. We partook of the mountain trout stuffed with crab meat for ours, but there are many others in this section of the menu. Like for example the grenadine of beef, veal pizzaiola, squab Camello, and filet of sole almondine to run through a few.

Looking over the menu at the Beverly Comstock, there's something there to fit every one's appetite and pocket-

book with prices ranging anywhere from four fifty-five for baked red snapper up to a double order of chateaubriand or double New York for thirteen ninety-five. These are all on the complete dinner side of the menu. And the a la carte side is just as attractive.

So if you decide to make it by the Beverly Comstock with mother next Sunday, you'd do well to reserve some space. It's not a big room,

you know and Mother's Day is a big day. Just give Mr. George or Mr. John a call at 274-8211 and nail down a table for you and Mom. There's a small cocktail bar available there, too, in case you feel in a libation mood before dinner.

But bear in mind, the Beverly Comstock Hotel dining room is quite tiny. Can accommodate not more than... oh say... 45 or 50 at one seating so keep this all in mind. It's a quiet dignified atmosphere featuring excellent cuisine and superb courteous service.

Located on Wilshire just a bit the other side of Beverly Glen Boulevard the Beverly Comstock is easy to reach. The dining room is up one flight.

It'll be a gay old time at the Torrance Ramada Inn for Mother this Sunday, too. As the good people down there say, "It's family time every Sunday and especially on Mother's Day."

There'll be full course dinners served beginning with the modest price of two ninety-five and in the event the kiddies want to help Mom observe "her day" there's also a special children's plate at a dollar and a quarter, provided the kiddies are 12 years of age or under.

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Be sure to make reservations here by calling 378-8511. (Continued on Page E-7)

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